



8-113

RCE/2700  
#1600  
+8-210

# REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/353,938
Filing Date	07/15/99
First Named Inventor	Christopher M. Jagers
Group Art Unit	2181
Examiner Name	Thai, Xuan Marian
Attorney Docket Number	016295.0851

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on **RECEIVED**
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

AUG 13 2003

Technology Center 2100

## 2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 02-0383
- i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☒ Other Any additional charges under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.117
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ \$750.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

Name (Print/Type)	Patrick J. Porter	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	45,658
Signature		Date	August 8, 2003

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as express mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, express mail no. EV352391605US on: August 8, 2003

Name (Print/Type)	Shannon Judice	Date	8/8/03
Signature			

ATTORNEY DOCKET  
016295.0851  
(DC-01975)

PATENT APPLICATION  
09/353,938

1



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

17C  
200h  
8-21-03

In re Application of:	Christopher M. Jaggers et al.	<b>RECEIVED</b> AUG 13 2003 Technology Center 2100
Serial No.:	09/353,938	
Date Filed:	July 15, 1999	
Examiner:	Thai, Xuan Marian	
Group Art Unit:	2181	
Title:	<b><i>Modular Bay Enclosure Removable Card Method and System</i></b>	

**Mail Stop RCE**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

I hereby certify that this communication is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail No. EV352391605US addressed to: Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

*Shannon Judice*  
Shannon Judice

8/8/03  
Date

Dear Sir:

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND AMENDMENT**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed May 8, 2003, and the Advisory Action mailed July 23, 2003, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the application in view of the following remarks/amendments:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 13 of this paper.